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Subject: Fw: 20111014-0017 - ALLEGED CONTAMINATED PRIVATE WELLS - Susquehanna County, 12/12/11

Looks like we will most likely be dealing with PADEP O&G in Williamsport.
I spoke with Kevin today and he asked whether I saw this. I said yes, but didn't discuss anything else. We moved on to other topics.

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From: "Augustine, Kevin" <kaugustine@pa.gov>
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Cc: "Dimock Township" <dimocktownship@epix.net>, "O'Donnell, Michael" <miodonnell@pa.gov>, "Cooley, Marc B" <mccooley@pa.gov>, "Means, Jennifer" <jenmeans@pa.gov>
Date: 12/12/2011 03:10 PM
Subject: RE: 20111014-0017 - ALLEGED CONTAMINATED PRIVATE WELLS - Susquehanna County, 12/12/11

Charlene, all inquiries regarding this case should be directed to the DEP-Oil and Gas Section in Wmspt. In care of Marc Cooley @ 570-327-9636 or Mike O'Donnell @ 570-346-5530.

From: Charlene Moser [<mailto:emadirector@susqco.com>]
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 1:18 PM
To: StateEOC, Pennsylvania; Leib, Kerry; Farrell, Donald; Womer, Dwayne; Minnich, Jason; Pletchan, Stephen; Augustine, Kevin; Bisignani, Robert; 'US EPA Region III'; Metro, Paul; PC, PUC PEMA Blackberry Service; DH-OnCallePLO_EPLO; 'Susquehanna 911 Coordinator'; 'SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY EMA'; EM-PEMA RECOVERY OPERATIONS; EM-PEMA EASTERN OFFICE; 'STATE NEW YORK EOC'
Cc: Dimock Township
Subject: RE: 20111014-0017 - ALLEGED CONTAMINATED PRIVATE WELLS - Susquehanna County, 12/12/11

Susquehanna County EMA continues to monitor the situation in Dimock Township. [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] lives in Silver Lake Township is not affected by this particular situation. To my knowledge DEP has deemed that the water has met drinking water standards and stated that Cabot was no longer obligated to deliver water to these (to my knowledge 11) families. [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] called my office once and asked what water tanker resources I had in the County. I explained to him that the request for resources would need to come from the municipality to the County and then on to the State if need be. There has been no unreturned phone calls to [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] from this office. It is my understanding that Cabot offered filtration systems to these homes that were refused by these 11 families, that others in the area accepted. If PEMA would like to discuss this matter further please feel free to contact my office.

Regards,
Charlene Moser
Susquehanna County
Emergency Management Coordinator

From: StateEOC, Pennsylvania [<mailto:stateeoc@pa.gov>]
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 11:52 AM
To: Leib, Kerry; Farrell, Donald; Womer, Dwayne; Minnich, Jason; Pletchan, Stephen; Augustine, Kevin; Bisignani, Robert; US EPA Region III (rrc.r3@epa.gov); Metro, Paul; PC, PUC PEMA Blackberry Service; DH-OnCallePLO_EPLO; Susquehanna 911 Coordinator (adonato@susq911.com); SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY EMA (emaoperations@susqco.com);

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1110 12/12/11 [REDACTED] **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** [REDACTED] who live at [REDACTED] Carter Road in Dimock (Susquehanna County) called to advise us that there are 12 families with contaminated wells on Carter Road who have had no water for 1 1/2 weeks. Cabot Oil and Gas had been providing them free water delivery for the past two years but stopped. [REDACTED] mentioned that this situation possibly involves some sort of litigation over the contamination in the private wells. [REDACTED] stated that Dimock Township, Susquehanna County, DEP and the Governor's Office will not return their calls for assistance. [REDACTED] believes this is an emergency situation and is therefore calling the State EOC. He stated that they have been working with the Mayor of Binghamton, NY and a few other towns in NY to get water deliveries but local officials are not permitting the deliveries to occur. (?) The PEMA Watch Officer (Thorpe) advised [REDACTED] that we will route this report to appropriate agencies for follow-up as necessary.

NOTE: The NRC Report below relates to today's call. - wst

10/14/2011 09:30:33 - Thorpe William: From: StateEOC, Pennsylvania
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2011 9:29 AM
To: EM-PEMA EASTERN OFFICE; Leib, Kerry; Farrell, Donald; Womer, Dwayne; EP, Energy EPLO; Pletchan, Stephen; Augustine, Kevin; Bisignani, Robert; US EPA Region III (rrc.r3@epa.gov); Susquehanna 911 Coordinator (adonato@susq911.com); SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY EMA (emaoperations@susqco.com); SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY EMA (emadirector@susqco.com)
Subject: FW: NRC#992509

For your information and follow-up as deemed necessary. - wst

-----Original Message-----

From: HQS-PF-flidr-NRC@uscg.mil [<mailto:HQS-PF-flidr-NRC@uscg.mil>]
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2011 9:03 AM
To: StateEOC, Pennsylvania
Subject: NRC#992509

NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTER 1-800-424-8802

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Incident Report # 992509

INCIDENT DESCRIPTION

*Report taken by: CIV BRENT TALIAFERRO at 08:53 on 14-OCT-11
Incident Type: FIXED
Incident Cause: OTHER
Affected Area: DRINKING WATER WELL
Incident occurred on 14-OCT-11 at 08:00 local incident time.
Affected Medium: WATER DRINKING WATER WELL

REPORTING PARTY

Name: JULIE SAUTNER

PRIMARY Phone: [REDACTED] **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**
Type of Organization: PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

SUSPECTED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Name: JOHN SMELKO

Organization: CABBOT OIL & GAS

HOUSTON, TX
PRIMARY Phone: (412)2493854

INCIDENT LOCATION

1101 CARTER RD County: SUSQUEHANNA
City: DIMOCK State: PA

RELEASED MATERIAL(S)

CHRIS Code: ONG Official Material Name: NATURAL GAS
Also Known As:
Qty Released: 0 UNKNOWN AMOUNT Qty in Water: 0 UNKNOWN AMOUNT

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

CALLER REPORTED THEIR WATER BEING AFFECTED BY LOCAL GAS WELLS IN THE
AREA DUE TO FRAC DRILLING .

SENSITIVE INFORMATION

INCIDENT DETAILS

Package: N/A
Building ID:
Type of Fixed Object: PRIVATE RESIDENCE
Power Generating Facility: UNKNOWN
Generating Capacity:
Type of Fuel:
NPDES:
NPDES Compliance: UNKNOWN
---WATER INFORMATION---
Body of Water: DRINKING WATER WELL
Tributary of:
Nearest River Mile Marker:
Water Supply Contaminated: UNKNOWN

IMPACT

Fire Involved: NO Fire Extinguished: UNKNOWN

INJURIES: NO Hospitalized: Empl/Crew: Passenger:
FATALITIES: NO Empl/Crew: Passenger: Occupant:
EVACUATIONS:NO Who Evacuated: Radius/Area:

Damages: NO

	Hours	Direction of
Closure Type Description of Closure	Closed	Closure
N		
Air:		
N	Major	
Road:	Artery:N	
N		
Waterway:		

N

Track:

Environmental Impact: UNKNOWN

Media Interest: NONE Community Impact due to Material:

REMEDIAL ACTIONS

NONE

Release Secured: UNKNOWN

Release Rate:

Estimated Release Duration:

WEATHER

Weather: PARTLY CLOUDY, °F

ADDITIONAL AGENCIES NOTIFIED

Federal: NONE

State/Local: NONE

State/Local On Scene: NONE

State Agency Number: NONE

NOTIFICATIONS BY NRC

ATLANTIC STRIKE TEAM (MAIN OFFICE)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (609)7240008

DHS NOC (NOC)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (202)2828114

DOT CRISIS MANAGEMENT CENTER (MAIN OFFICE)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (202)3661863

U.S. EPA III (MAIN OFFICE)

(215)8149016

NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE COORD CTR (MAIN OFFICE)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (202)2829201

NJ STATE POLICE (MARINE SERVICES BUREAU)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (609)9636900

NOAA RPTS FOR PA (MAIN OFFICE)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (206)5264911

BUREAU TOXIC SUBSTANCE (MAIN OFFICE)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (518)4027810

PA STATE POLICE (BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (717)5255260

PA EMERG MGMT AGCY (MAIN OFFICE)

14-OCT-11 09:02 (717)6512001

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

NONE

*** END INCIDENT REPORT #992509 ***

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Note: The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's email domain for all state employees has changed to @pa.gov. Please update our contact information with our new email address: stateeoc@pa.gov. Thank you.

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